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SUBJ: REFUGEE TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

1. THERE ARE IN IRAN 200 TO 300 SOUTHEAST ASIAN  
DEPENDENTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS USING REFUGEE TRAVEL  
DOCUMENTS OR RE-ENTRY PERMITS MOST OF THESE HAVE BEEN  
IN IRAN 12 TO 18 MONTHS AND HAVE ALREADY RENEWED THE  
DOCUMENTS ONCE. WHILE SOME AMCIT PRINCIPALS WILL  
COMPLETE THEIR CONTRACTS AND RETURN TO THE UNITED  
STATES, MANY OF THEM INTEND TO RENEW CONTRACTS AND  
REMAIN IN IRAN FOR AN INDEFINITE TIME.  
TEHRAN IS WELL AWARE THAT CURRENT REGULATIONS PERMITS  
THE EXTENSION OF REFUGEE TRAVEL DOCUMENTS AND RE-  
ENTRY PERMITS ONLY ONCE, TO A DATE TWO YEARS BEYOND  
THE ISSUE DATE. IN VIEW OF THE INCONVENIENCE AND  
EXPENSE OF TRAVEL TO THE UNITED STATES FOR THE SOLE  
PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A RENEWED TRAVEL DOCUMENT, THE  
EMB WONDERS WHETHER AN EXCEPTION TO OR AMENDMENT  
TO CURRENT REGULATIONS WOULD BE POSSIBLE.  
MOST OF THE FAMILIES INVOLVED ARE EMPLOYEES OF BELL  
HELICOPTER INTL., A DEFENSE CONTRACTOR TO THE IRANIAN  
AIR FORCE. VIRTUALLY ALL OF THE BALANCE ARE EMPLOYED  
BY SIMILAR CONTRACTORS.

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